second electrodes provided apart from one another and a ground power source, and performing display by generating a discharge between said first and second electrodes, said plasma display panel device comprising:

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a drive circuit that connects said first and second electrodes to power sources that are different from said ground power source so as to apply a drive voltage between the two electrodes, when drive voltage pulses are to be applied between said first and second electrodes and so as to apply a drive voltage between the two electrodes, upon completion of the application of drive voltage pulses after said drive voltage pulses have been applied between said first and second electrodes.

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3. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) A plasma display panel device having first and second electrodes provided apart from one another and a ground power source, and performing display by generating a discharge between said first and second electrodes, said plasma display panel device comprising:

a drive circuit that changes said first and second electrodes from a state of being connected to a first power source, different from said ground power source, to a state of being connected to a second power source, different from said ground power source, so as to apply a drive voltage between the two electrodes when drive voltage pulses are to be applied between said first and second electrodes.

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4. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 3, wherein:

said drive circuit returns said first or second electrodes to a state of being connected to said first power source upon completion of the application of said drive voltage pulse.

5. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) A plasma display panel device having first and second electrodes provided apart from one another and a ground power source, and performing display by generating a discharge between said first and second electrodes, said plasma display panel device comprising:

a drive circuit that changes said first and second electrodes from a state of being connected to a first power source, different from said ground power source, to a state of being respectively connected to second and third power sources, different from said ground power source, so as to apply a drive voltage between the two electrodes when drive voltage pulses

are to be applied between said first and second electrodes.

6. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 5, wherein:

said drive circuit returns said first and second electrodes to a state of being connected to said first power source upon completion of the application of said drive voltage pulse.

7. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) A plasma display panel device having first and second electrodes provided apart from one another and a ground power source and performing display by generating a discharge between said first and second electrodes, said plasma display panel device comprising:

a drive circuit that changes said first and second electrodes from a state of being connected to first and second power sources, different from said ground power source, to a state of being connected to a third power source, different from said ground power source, so as to apply a drive voltage between the two electrodes when drive voltage pulses are to be applied between said first and second electrodes.

8. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 7, wherein:

said drive circuit returns said first or second electrode to a state of being connected to said first or second power source upon completion of the application of said drive voltage pulses.

9. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) A plasma display panel device having first and second electrodes provided apart from one another and a ground power source and performing display by generating a discharge between said first and second electrodes, said plasma display panel device comprising:

a drive circuit that changes said first and second electrodes from a state of being connected to first and second power sources, different from said ground power source, to a state of being respectively connected to third and fourth power sources, different from said ground power source, so as to apply a drive voltage between the two electrodes when drive voltage pulses are to be applied between said first and second electrodes.

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10. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 9, wherein:

said drive circuit returns said first and second electrodes to a state of being respectively connected to said first and second power sources upon completion of the application of said discharge voltage pulse:

11. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 5, wherein:

reversed-polarity discharge voltage pulses are applied to said first and second electrodes.

12. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 7, wherein:

reversed-polarity discharge voltage pulses are applied to said first and second electrodes.

13. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 9, wherein:

reversed-polarity discharge voltage pulses are applied to said first and second electrodes.

14. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 1, further having a control portion that is connected to said ground power source and that supplies a control signal to said drive circuit.

15. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 2, further having a control portion that is connected to said ground power source and that supplies a control signal to said drive circuit.

16. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 3, further having a control portion that is connected to said ground power source and that supplies a control signal to said drive circuit.

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17. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 5, further having a control portion that is connected to said ground power source and that supplies a control signal to said drive circuit.

- 18. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 7, further having a control portion that is connected to said ground power source and that supplies a control signal to said drive circuit.
- 19. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma. display panel device according to claim 9, further having a control portion that is connected to said ground power source and that supplies a control signal to said drive circuit.

20. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 3, wherein:

the potential of said ground power source is between the potential of said first power source and the potential of the second power source, and a third electrode is maintained at the potential of the ground power source during the application of said drive voltage pulse.

21. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The plasma display panel device according to claim 5, wherein:

the potential of said ground power source is between the potential of said first power source and the potential of the second power source, or is between the potential of said first power source and the potential of the third power source, and a third electrode is maintained at the potential of the ground power source during the application of said drive voltage pulse.

22. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) A plasma display panel device that performs display by discharge between first and second electrodes provided adjacently along a display line, said plasma display panel device comprising:

a control circuit, connected to a ground power source, for generating a control signal; and

a drive circuit that drives said first and second electrodes in response to said control signal wherein, when drive voltage pulses are to be applied to said first or second electrode, said drive circuit supplies a start voltage of said drive voltage pulses from a first power source

that is different from said ground power source to said first or second electrode, and supplies an end voltage of said drive voltage pulses from a second power source that is different from said ground power source.

23. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) A plasma display panel device according to claim 22, further comprising:

an address electrode intersecting with said first and second electrodes, wherein the address electrode is maintained at the ground patential, between the potentials of said first and second electrodes, when said drive voltage pulses are to be applied to the first and second electrodes.

24. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) A method for driving a plasma display panel device having first and second electrodes provided apart from one another and a ground power source and performing display by generating a discharge between said first and second electrodes, wherein:

said first and second electrodes are connected to a power source that is different from said ground power source and a drive voltage is applied between said electrodes when drive voltage pulses are to be applied between said first and second electrodes.

25. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) A method of driving a plasma display panel device having first and second electrodes provided apart from one another and a ground power source and performing display by generating a discharge between said first and second electrodes, wherein:

said first and second electrodes are connected to a power source that is different from said ground power source and a drive voltage is applied between said electrodes upon completion of the application of drive voltage pulses after said discharge voltage pulses have been applied between said first and second electrodes.

device having first and second electrodes provided apart from one another and a ground power source, and performing display by generating a discharge between said first and second electrodes, wherein:

said first and second electrodes are changed from a state of being connected to a first

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